

## ***Baseball clinics planned for Europe***

**HEIDELBERG, Germany** – U.S. Army Child and Youth Services, in partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of America and Major League Baseball, is sending professional baseball coach John Noce to Europe for a series of baseball clinics in Germany and Italy.

The clinics are scheduled for the following locations:

- June 7-8: Darmstadt, Germany
- June 11-12: Landstuhl, Germany
- June 14-15: Baumholder, Germany
- June 18-19: Schweinfurt, Germany
- June 21-22: Stuttgart, Germany
- July 2-3: Vicenza, Italy

Noce will teach children ages 6-18, adults, coaches and CYS staff how to succeed in upper-level baseball by demonstrating various skills and techniques, including batting, sliding, throwing, fielding and pitching.

For adults and coaches, the clinics will also include rules of the game, drills and lessons on how to motivate kids and build fundamental skills.

Additionally, Noce will discuss education, scholarships, sportsmanship, dedication, attitude and what top college programs are seeking in recruits.

“We are very excited to be a part of this initiative,” said Jason Holowaty, manager of game Development for Major League Baseball International.



“Through these clinics, we are hoping to prepare kids to play at higher levels and to show them what the top high school and college programs are looking for.”

The Major League Baseball Envoy Coach program has been MLB’s flagship international project since 1993. Since the program’s inception, MLB has sent hundreds of professional coaches to more than 75 different countries to work on baseball development projects.

**For more information, contact the CYS office at installations where clinics are being held.**